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In re: **KBAW(FM), Ranchitos Las Lomas, TX**
Facility ID No. 86858
Silent since November 8, 2011

Request for Extension of Special Temporary
Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Alpert:

This letter concerns the request you filed on June 18, 2012, on behalf of La Nueva Cadena Radio Luz, Inc. ("LNCRL"), for extension of Special Temporary Authority to permit FM Radio Station KBAW to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that LNCRL stated that Station KBAW(FM) went silent on November 8, 2011, pending a proposed change of its transmitter site. The previous STA was granted on December 29, 2011, and expired on June 26, 2012. LNCRL requests extension of its STA to complete its pending change of transmitter site. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.¹

LNCRL's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KBAW(FM) to remain silent until November 8, 2012. **Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KBAW(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., November 9, 2012.**² See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

The station's silent status does not suspend the licensee's obligation to comply with all other relevant Commission rules, including the filing, when appropriate, of applications for renewal of broadcast license. Finally, we note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained until removed. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,



Lisa Scanlan
Assistant Chief, Audio Division
Media Bureau

¹ In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this matter.

² In addition to filing electronically with the Commission on the date operations resume, notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be emailed to Denise.Williams@FCC.gov.